

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: Email image from K - 2A

Other known title(s): Ref No. 02: 2A

OFLC ref: 1700483.000

Medium: Computer Image File

Publisher: Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not applicable

Applicant: Commissioner of Police

Classification: Objectionable.

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 26 September 2017

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 26 September 2017

Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer image file is deemed to be objectionable under s3(2)(a) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 (FVPC Act) because it promotes and supports the exploitation of children or young persons for sexual purposes. It depicts a man sexually abusing a boy. The purpose of the publication is to sexually arouse adults with a prurient interest in children or young teenagers. It encourages the viewer to see young boys as available for adult sexual use. The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression contained in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. This outcome is consistent, however, with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2) of the FVPC Act are deemed to be objectionable and reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its vulnerable members from exploitation.